

**Advisory Committee for 9-1-1 Service Oversight
Committee Minutes
November 4, 2003**

In Attendance: Charles Jackson, R.D. Porter, Carol Ann Freeman, Barbara Gulick, Peggy Loman, Bob Asahl, John Wade, Dr. Randall Jotte, Chief James Person, Arie Crawford-Hoard

Visitors were: John Williams, St. Louis Fire Department

1. The meeting was called to order at 1:20 p.m. at the State Emergency Management Agency, Jefferson City, MO. The meeting was opened with roll call of members, a quorum was declared. Mr. Wakeman introduced and welcomed Mr. John Williams who was representing Chief Sherman George. Mr. Wakeman opened the meeting with discussion of items that were included in the packets.
2. Administrative actions included review and approval of the meeting minutes from the September 9, 2003 meeting. Motion was made by Dr. Jotte to approve the minutes and seconded by Mr. Wade. Motion carried and was approved to accept minutes.
3. The Curriculum Sub-Committee report was given by Mr. Porter. The interim approved courses from September 9 and October 17, 2003, were presented to the committee for final approval. Mr. Asahl made motion, seconded by Mr. Wade that the courses be given final approval. Motion was carried and courses were approved. Mr. Porter reported that the sub-committee had reviewed the letter from the Creve Coeur Police Department to change the modules of the training courses, but in order to modify the program, the Code of State Regulations would need to be re-written. If the committee feels that we need to modify, the sub-committee will try to re-write the rule and get it re-submitted. The committee recommends that if the sub-committee would find something that needed changing that they should bring it back to the committee for review. Mr. Porter also reported that a form letter would be sent to the companies that have courses close to expiration reminding them that the course needs to be renewed and that they should respond to the letter for renewal.
4. Ms. Loman gave the Legislative Sub-Committee report. She will contact the DPS Attorney and should have the responses needed for certain information and has scheduled a meeting for December 9 in Oak Grove, MO for the Legislative Sub-Committee.
5. The next scheduled meeting will be in conjunction with the MoNENA conference in March at Tan-Tar-A Resort, Osage Beach. The tentative date and time will be March 16 at 1:00 p.m. Mr. Asahl will follow up on the date and time.

6. Mr. Porter gave a report on the 9-1-1 Wireless Meeting that was held in October. They reviewed several issues and discussed Senate Bill 64 as it was written last year. The group decided to request Senate Bill 64 as it is currently written be re-submitted to the Legislature. Senator Wayne Goode from St. Louis has accepted their request to sponsor the bill again this year. Mid-America Regional Council has agreed to contact some representatives in the House to get House sponsorship. The MoNENA group has hired a legislative consultant to help expedite the bill, and have requested meetings with the Speaker of the House and with the present pro-tem of the Senate on this legislation. Mr. Porter thinks the bill has a good chance to pass this year.
7. Mr. Wakeman pointed out to everyone that the EMD Bulletin goes out from SEMA every other week. If the committee would like to get information out to state agencies and local officials they may want to consider using the bulletin.
8. In open discussion Mr. Porter stated that he put in an expedited request for a letter of support to a public safety grant application that he was putting together. He thanked the committee for their comments and letter of endorsement. The grant will help with a study of all the primary answering points in Missouri along with the local exchange carriers and the wireless carriers to see what it is going to cost to do wireless deployment across the state. Mr. Porter should know by the middle of December if the grant is approved and the study should start sometime in January. Mr. Porter will send a note to everyone on the committee asking for volunteers to help review the information that is received from the study. They will then take the information and do some proposed legislation.
9. Mr. Porter met with the FCC in Washington, DC on wireless implementation. There were several issues presented. One was the waver process granted to Tier III and Tier IV carriers. One of the issues Mr. Porter proposed was the wireless carrier and local exchange carrier cooperation. Another was the local exchange carriers not cooperating between the wireless carriers and the PSAPs, and the fourth issue was funding. Mr. Porter met with the Office of Domestic Preparedness, they are going to review the interoperability issue and look at putting 9-1-1 centers as a line item in the Federal program of the Office of Domestic Preparedness. Mr. Porter also met with Senator Bond and Senator Clinton and discussed Senate Bills that would affect 9-1-1. Senate Bill 1250 applies to all 9-1-1 and Senate Bill 1498 consolidates the grant programs with the national telecommunications, NTIA. Another bill introduced is House Resolution 326 which combines all the grant programs after September 11 under one umbrella.
10. Mr. Wakeman talked about the Office of Domestic Preparedness, Homeland Security grant that his office manages and how it can help 9-1-1 centers.
11. The meeting was adjourned at 2:40 p.m.